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POLAD PLEASE PASS AMBASSADOR SELDEN

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OTRA, NZ
SUBJECT: COAL SEA VISITOR

REF: STATE 099837

FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT FROM SECSTATE WASHDC 099837 TO AMEMBASSY
SUVA, INFO AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON AND CANBERRA ON 24 APR 76
REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO:

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 09837

FOR SELDEN FROM HABIB

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OTRA, NZ
SUBJECT: COAL SEA VISITOR

REF: SUVA 449

1. WE HAVE AGAIN STUDIED YOUR RECOMMENDATION.WHILE ALL OF
US HAVE THE HIGHEST RESPECT FOR ADMIRAL GAYLER, WE DO NOT
THINK IT APPROPRIATE TO SEND HIM TO NEW ZEALAND AS COAL
SEA VISITOR. GOA OFFICIALS HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT THEY
WISH TO DE-EMPHASIZE MILITARY CHARACTER OF COAL SEA CELE-
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BRATIONS; WE ARE INCLINED TO AGREE THAT CORAL SEA VISITOR

SHOULD BE A PROMINENT U.S. CIVILIAN. SINCE CIVILIAN GUESTS
PROPOSED BY AUSTRALIANS ARE NOT AVAILABLE, AND SINCE SEVERAL
HIGH-RANKING AMERICANS HAVE RECENTLY VISITED AUSTRALIA AND
NEW ZEALAND, WE HAVE PROPOSED TO GOA THAT THERE BE NO COAL
SEA VISITOR THIS YEAR. IT WOULD SEEM INAPPROPRIATE TO SEND
ADMIRAL GAYLER TO NEW ZEALAND AS COAL SEA VISITOR AND SEND
NO ONE TO AUSTRALIA. SISCO
KILLGORE

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